

Holiday Greetings

TO OUR MANY FRIENDS and patrons we extend a hearty wish for a happy and prosperous New Year, and many thanks for the extraordinary business they have given my store during the past twelve months.

G. V. WRIGHT

FURNITURE DEALER
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Announcing Meritol Products

Of all commodities, there is always one kind of goods which excels. You know a make of automobile or soap that is more satisfactory to you than any other.

We have been looking for a brand of drug preparations that excel—a line of goods that we can conscientiously recommend always to our customers. At last we have found such a brand! We have just received a complete line of the famous preparations manufactured by the American Drug and Press Association under the trade name of "MERITOL."

The American Drug and Press Association was organized in 1910 by prominent Druggists and Publishers throughout the United States. Their purpose was to establish a co-operative laboratory and general office for manufacturing, advertising and selling through its membership medicinal and toilet preparations of genuine merit. Each preparation for a specific purpose and absolutely the best and most efficient that the combined ability and experience of the chemists and pharmacists of the Association could produce.

In organizing the Association the Druggists and Publishers felt that they would render the public a great service by offering it a full line of everyday family necessities, preparations that were known to be of the highest quality, and they proposed to give the public the benefit of the chemical skill of its members under the trade-mark name, "MERITOL." Each article manufactured by the Association to be guaranteed through the retail agency and to be meritorious in every respect; hence the name "MERITOL."

During the first year the Association placed on the market about 16 preparations, but have since added to the line from time to time, until they are now manufacturing over

700 different medicinal and toilet preparations of everyday usefulness.

The American Drug and Press Association selects as members and agents only druggists of the highest integrity and ability, and we feel that we have been greatly honored in the endorsement given us by the Association in placing the "MERITOL" line with us for the city of Alma.

The Association does not claim that "MERITOL" preparations are cure-alls. Each article is made for a specific purpose. Furthermore, every druggist who becomes a member of this organization is supplied with the formula of each "MERITOL" preparation that he may know he is offering to his customers articles of merit and quality. There are no secrets regarding "MERITOL" formulas, and we will be pleased to show them to you and truthfully tell you all about them and explain the medicinal values of each ingredient so you may know what you are taking. You have a right to know, and should know the value and formula of the remedies you are using for yourself and your family. If you will permit us to show you the "MERITOL" formulas you will avoid taking chances on preparations you know nothing about and those probably not suited to your needs. There is one for every purpose. Space is too limited to give the entire list here, but should you be in need of a medicine or toilet preparation come in and let us show you the "MERITOL" line. We believe the more you know of "MERITOL" articles the more confidence you will have in them. We know they are the best and we want you to try them.

SOME OF THE "MERITOL" ARTICLES WILL BE ADVERTISED IN THE COLUMNS OF THIS PAPER IN THE FUTURE. WATCH FOR THEM.

Winslow Bros. Drug Store

Exclusive Meritol Agency

"Where Quality and Service Meet"

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Plates also made for the old price

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Forest Hill Elevator Co.
ELMER N. POST, Secretary and Treasurer
Forest Hill, Michigan

FOREST HILL

Wm. Vanderbeek has purchased a new auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Raycraft, of Alma, called on Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Michiel Sunday.

L. H. Wood, wife and son were Alma visitors Saturday.

The Misses Clara Hamilton and Elsie Gallagher are home from Saginaw, Edna Sias and Tressa Daily from Ashley, and Ethel Bowers from Marion, for the Christmas vacation.

A. F. Wood, of Riverdale, spent the weekend with friends in town. He expects to leave for Lansing on business Wednesday.

It is reported that Miss Beulah Bowers and Mr. Claud Nichols, of Riverdale, were married Sunday. Congratulations.

Messrs. Cassius and Vern Perrine of Coe, were in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cartrige and son Dale of Belding, are spending the Xmas vacation with Mrs. Cartrige's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Courter.

Chester Bailor, of Sturgis, visited his mother and sister, Mrs. Eva Bailor and Mrs. E. Sias, over the weekend.

Jay Bigler and Theodore Wilks left for Marion Saturday to visit the former's mother over Christmas.

Mrs. Uva Rearick and daughter, of Alma, came Sunday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Creech, over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Failing spent Friday with their son Dewey and wife at Clare.

A number from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Livingston Wednesday.

Mr. Will Davison and daughter, Daisy, and Arlene Bigler and Fred Towersey, were in Alma doing their Christmas shopping Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. Blood are entertaining Mrs. Blood's parents from Grand Rapids this week.

B. T. Hamilton transacted business in Shepherd Monday.

Mrs. Bert Gilbert was a St. Louis shopper Saturday.

L. C. Doerr and friend Mr. Anderson, of Ann Arbor, were calling on friends in town the last of the week.

EAST SEVILLE

The Mallory school gave a program and box social last Friday night for the benefit of the Elwell Red Cross society and netted the sum of \$42. How is this for patriotism among the farmers?

Mrs. Anson Wilber is much improved from her recent illness.

Mrs. E. R. Hoyt is stopping with her daughter, Mrs. Nancy Fookes, for a few weeks.

Miss Myrta Wilber is home for a vacation. She attends school in Alma.

Miss Ruth Cotrom is home from Mt. Pleasant Normal for a vacation.

Miss Georgiana Jones, teacher of the Mallory school, is enjoying two weeks' vacation at her home near Shepherd.

Mrs. Gus Quick, of Alma, spent Christmas day with William Schiff and family.

Mr. and Mrs. James Towersey and family, of Forest Hill, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schiff.

The Red Cross campaign has played an important part in Christmas giving this year and with good success in this locality.

Letta Marie Fuller visited her grandmother, Mrs. Quick, in Alma, over Sunday.

Miss Anna Mallory leaves soon to spend the winter in New York state with an invalid aunt.

Miss Addie Wilcox closed a successful term of school at the Townsend school Dec. 21 and will be at home with her parents the rest of the winter.

Mr. Raymond Wilcox, who enlisted August 1st, is seeing active service in France in the aviation field.

Mr. Victor Duncan, who enlisted Nov. 15th from the home of Wm. Schiff, will be in France January 1st.

Miss Lena Morton is spending the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Harold Withey, of Marquette.

Mr. and Mrs. August Luidstrum spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Luidstrum.

DOING THEIR DUTY

Scores of Alma Readers are Learning the Duty of the Kidneys.

To filter the blood is the kidneys' duty.

When they fail to do this the kidneys are weak.

Backache and other kidney ills may follow.

Help the kidneys do their work.

Use Doan's Kidney Pills—the test of kidney remedy.

Proof of their worth in the following:

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They are cooked right and served right.

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served at all hours for the busy people.

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The European Cafe

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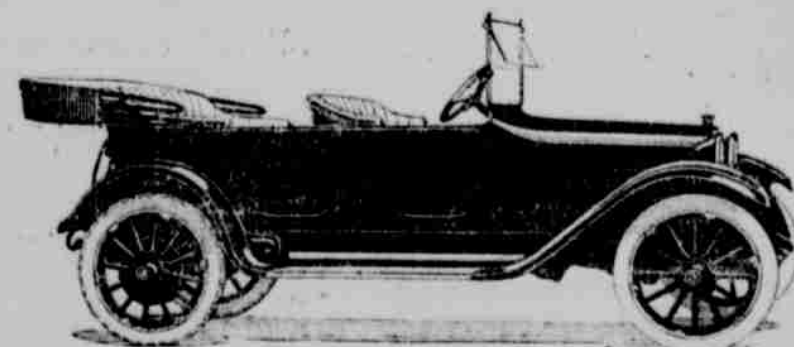
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